



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

Legislation Text

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To: Board of Supervisors

From: Probation

Agenda Section: Consent

SUBJECT:

Professional Services Agreement between Arcata House Partnership and County of Humboldt for Residential Community Re-Entry Services

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve a professional services agreement with Arcata House Partnership (AHP) for Residential Community Re-Entry Services (Attachment 1); and
2. Authorize Chief Probation Officer, Shaun Brenneman, to execute the above referenced agreement with AHP as well as any amendments or extensions necessary.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Humboldt County Public Safety Realignment Trust (3741)

DISCUSSION:

On Jan. 16, 2019, the Humboldt County Community Corrections Partnership Executive Committee

(HCCCP) carried a motion to recommend \$121,738 in one-time funding to be spent funding a five -bed residential community re-entry program through Arcata House Partnership (AHP). The proposal came after staff from Probation's Community Corrections Resource Center (CCRC) identified a need for residential re-entry services for the Post Release Community Supervision (PRCS) population and met with Arcata House Partnership to explore the possibility of creating a 1-year pilot program to meet the needs of this population. The PRCS population consists of individuals being returned to the county from state prison, many of whom would be otherwise homeless. The program, which is a cooperative effort between the Humboldt County Probation Department and AHP, provides participants with an individualized case plan based on criminogenic factors and stabilizing factors. Participants are provided with housing support services to teach living skills such as how to share living space, how to maintain a residence, nutritional support, and linkages to housing support services and as well as a path to employment. Individuals placed in the program may initially

be placed on GPS monitoring and work with a probation officer within the first two weeks to develop their individual case plan and are linked to services at the CCRC and in the community. The program was tested as a one-year pilot program during which Humboldt County Probation provided referrals for up to five individuals at any given time. Arcata House Partnership provided Probation monthly reports regarding the program outcomes of individuals referred. Probation analysts worked to capture data regarding program participants, and used the data captured by AHP and Probation to prepare report-outs for the HCCCP on program effectiveness. The pilot program was deemed a success by both Probation and the HCCCP Executive Committee who, on Apr. 15, 2020, voted to approve a one-year contract to continue the Next Step Program through Arcata House Partnership. On Jun. 16, 2021, the HCCCP voted to again extend this program by another year. The AHP professional service agreement comes to the Board after the start date thereof due to inadvertent delays that occurred during the contract development process.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The cost of this agreement is \$121,738 and will be funded through the PRCS allocation within the

Humboldt County Public Safety Realignment Trust (3741). In Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-21 \$51,250 was received for these purposes, along with an additional \$132,338 in PRCS only funds for the early releases of inmates from state prison due to Covid-19 outbreaks. A total of \$611,524 in PRCS only funding has been received dating back to FY 2014-15 and has been held in trust and used only this contract in prior fiscal years making the current trust balance for PRCS \$340,344. No supplemental budget is necessary at this time as it was anticipated that the HCCCP Executive Committee would approve another year of this program and included in the FY 2021-22 budget for 3741-294. There is no impact on the General Fund.

STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK:

This action supports your Board's Strategic Framework by enforcing laws and regulations to protect residents .

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

1. Humboldt County Community Corrections Partnership (HCCCP) Executive Committee
2. Arcata House Partnership

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Board may elect not to approve this agreement however this is not recommended as without reentry services the Post Release Community Supervision population would largely be homeless upon return to the county and would be therefore unable to re-enter the community productively.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Agreement between Arcata Partnership and County of Humboldt for Residential Reentry Services for the Post Release Community Supervision (PRCS) population

2. Minutes from the June 16, 2021, HCCCP Executive Committee Meeting, Item VII

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No.: C-16, C-16

Meeting of: April 2, 2019, June 2, 2020,

File No.: 19-377, 20-640